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Direction and Control of the Search Function Search and Rescue Management Course

Hosted By: Sequoia / Kings Canyon National Park

May $8^{th} - 12^{th}$, 2006

"Direction and Control of the Search Function" is a 5-day, 40-hour course with trained, professional, experienced instructors. The course is directed toward search and rescue coordinators, their alternates, team leaders and others having those responsibilities. This course format is designed to facilitate both full-time as well as volunteer SAR Management personnel. Course objectives include:

- How to properly manage a search.
- How to develop a comprehensive search pre-plan. Understanding its importance to a successful search mission.
- Identify basic search and rescue resources; discuss their functions and limitations.
- Describe and discuss tactics used in search of lost persons.
- Describe resources/sequence of initial actions in applying search and rescue resources to find missing subjects.
- Demonstrate the ability to develop the search area in a given map problem.
- Describe the function of clue detection in relation to search theory.
- Identify key factors involved in deciding to suspend a mission.
- Introduction to Law Enforcement, Incident Command System. Describe functions of effective organization.
- Discuss how effectively managed search and rescue missions affect your agency's image.
- Discuss the importance of preventative search and rescue programs.

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WHERE: Sequoia / Kings Canyon National Park

<u>DATE and TIME</u> <u>CONFERENCE LOCATION</u>

May 8th – 12th, 2006 Sequoia / Kings Canyon National Park

0800-1700 Monday - Friday Beetle Rock Center - across from the Giant Forest Museum

LODGING

Wuksachi Lodge 64740 Wuksachi Way Sequoia National Park, CA 93262 559-565-4070

A block of rooms is being held for attendees beginning Sunday May 7th at the state rate of \$84.00. To make your reservation please contact Crystal and let her know you are reserving one of the rooms for the OES Training. If you would like to bring a RV, camping is available at Lodgepole Campground for reservations call 800-365-2267. Camping is \$20 per night and coin operated showers are available.

Directions: See attached map.

The Beetle Rock Center is located on the Generals Highway, which is the main road through the park, an approximate 15 minute drive south of the lodge and campground.

NOTE: there is no gas available in the park: All attendee's are encouraged to "fill up" before entering the park. The nearest gas is at the "Stony Creek Lodge", approximately 25 minutes north of Wuksachi. Also, the \$20.00 Park entrance fee will be waived for students <u>announcing</u> they are with the OES class.

COURSE REGISTRATION: Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis when our office receives applications. Applicants should register as soon as possible since class size is limited. **Telephone registration will not be accepted.** After receiving your application we will mail you a student package.

TO REGISTER BY INTERNET (preferred)

Go to www.oes.ca.gov, Resources and Branches, OES, Law Enforcement Branch, Wilderness Search and Rescue. Click on the SAR & Law Enforcement Training schedule, fill in application form and click on submit.

TO REGISTER BY FAX

Complete the on-line application form, print and fax to OES, Law Enforcement Branch at (916) 845-8314 attention Tonya Bagwill.

This course is certified by California Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) under Plan IV for full-time regular law enforcement officers. Each student receives a manual, shoulder patch, lapel pin and a certificate upon course completion.